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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the supplemental restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 12, 2006 (Paper No. 20060707). A separate petition for an appropriate extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.